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NOTES AND NEWS

Among the important events to relate during the Autumn term is the opening for use of the advanced chemistry/biology laboratory, produced by the conversion of room 9, and the sixth form reading room, a palatial establishment, produced from the boy's cloakroom in the old building by a remarkable metamorphosis. This provides the sixth form with facilities for private study almost without equal in our part of the world.

After months of preparation and hard work by Mr. Brinson, Mr. Green, Miss Bywater and many members of the school, the Autumn term saw three highly successful performances of 'Trial by Jury' and 'Lady Audley's Secret' as a double bill.

The arctic conditions which prevailed during the Sports Morning in November did nothing to suppress the activity of the school; the Parents' Association, not to be outdone, arranged a most enjoyable barn-dance later in the same month.

November also saw our intrepid fourth formers descend upon North Wales to visit Marle Hall, and later in the month the school debated with Bidford High School the motion that 'This house believes that Christmas should be abolished'. The debate was closely contested, but our team lost narrowly. More success was achieved by those who took their Junior Red Cross First Aid exam, and a pass rate of 100% was obtained.

Preparation for end of term activities intensified as Christmas approached. The Carol Service was well attended once again and the proceeds of the collection were donated to the Italian Earthquake Fund. Our donation to Barnardo's was boosted as usual by the levy for non-uniform day, which coincided with the junior party, enjoyed by juniors and sixth formers alike. The school's generosity was further shown by the large sum collected for the Earl Haig Poppy Appeal.

The term ended with a stirring performance of the almost unknown pantomime 'Gold-E-Lox and the Three DARTH Vaders'. The sixth form wrote the script and acted in the production; but Mr. Cowell was the impressario, (and moving spirit and presiding genius rolled into one), Mr. Watts provided the special effects, while various other members of the staff flitted briefly across the stage at various times. This was the first such

production for some years, and it is to be hoped that this venerable tradition will be revived permanently. The thespian talents of our sixth form were greatly appreciated by all the school, and the term finished on a humorous note as befitted the festive season.

As usual, the Spring term was the time for many excursions. Mr. Petherbridge took twelve geographers, all members of the Lower sixth, to Marle Hall. The exchange between Alcester and Le Loroux-Botttereau continued this year when a party of pupils accompanied by Mrs. Micklethwaite and Mr. Percival visited France. Two parties visited Italy at different times for ski-ing, shepherded by Mr. Micklethwaite, Mr. Cowell, Mrs. Bonham and Mrs. Matthews, and some of those on the second trip found time to visit Monte-Carlo.

Meanwhile, closer to home, a large group of sixth formers visited Birmingham University for lectures organised by the British Association for the Advancement of Science. A group of sixth form students of English visited the University of Warwick for a lecture, and a Russian film on King Lear, while the second form visited the 'Merchant of Venice Workshop' in London.

An enjoyable afternoon was spent listening to the Warwickshire Ensemble who played to the younger members of the school, and both pupils and parents enjoyed a Games Evening at the school in April. The term ended with yet another Sports Morning.

The Summer term started with yet another foreign visit, this time to Wuppertal in Germany. It was organised by Mr. Percival, and we hope to receive a party of German students in exchange next term. In May we were pleased to welcome a group from Le Loroux-Botttereau with their teachers.

Marle Hall was visited yet again, this time by the lower sixth biology group who, in a characteristically hard-working manner, conquered Welsh mountains, peat bogs and beaches on their field course. Later in May, Mr. Brinson took a party to see the Harlem Globetrotters at Wembley.

After the exams there was a fresh spate of trips. Second formers visited the Royal Show, and Dr. Preston-Mafham took the biologists to Kew Gardens. Fourth formers visited S.S. Great Britain and Bristol Zoo (on the same day). There were two concerts during the term, one in May and the other in July, the latter being an evening of poetry and music. Although very enjoyable the latter was not well attended.

The Parents' Association was very active during the term; the Spring Fair raised over £900 for school funds, and a Caribbean Spice Evening took place near the end of term. The school maintained its interest in thespian arts when a party of players visited the school to present 'The Merchant of Venice'.

The term closed with the inevitable Sports Morning (postponed from the day before because of the traditional rain) and the customary bonfire.

Finally, we must record that this edition of the Record breaks new ground in that it has been produced with the aid of the 'new technology', the text for the magazine being composed and stored on the files of the school's computer. Here we must acknowledge gratefully the tremendous help given by Mr. Watts and Simon Harris, without whose assistance in the matter, nothing

whatsoever would have been achieved.

Heather Ferris and Elizabeth West.

SPEECH DAY 1981

Speech Day was held this year on Wednesday, 8th April, certificates and prizes being distributed by Roger Birch, Q.P.M., the Chief Constable of Warwickshire. In his speech he provided a number of insights into the selection of graduate entrants for the police force, and amused the audience with several humorous anecdotes.

PRIZES AND AWARDS

First Year : Keith Baldry, Lawrence Jones, Mark Jewitt, Tracey McCalman.

Second Year : Madeleine Gauntlett, Colin Martin, Fiona Apsley, Adele Beard.

Third Year : Claire Linfoot, Alastair Reeves, Dianne Retter, Simon Edkins, Helen Young.

Fourth Year : Jonathan Cartledge, Stuart Cuffe, Sarah Longstaff, Peter Hartland, Dawn Coomber.

Fifth Year : David Apsley, James Emerson, Richard Horton, William Wilks, Andrew Boston.

Lower Sixth : Anne Griffiths, Amanda Wearing, Graham Ward, Julie Taylor.

Upper Sixth : English (Audrey Webley Prize) - Jane Stevens; French - Jane Broderick; German - Susan Wright; History - Lynne Silverstone; Economics - Jane Whinn and Joanne Bateman; Geography (Ernest Walker Prize) - Jonathan Wright; Mathematics - Peter Bromwich and Darren Cooper; Physics - Christopher Probert; Chemistry - Amanda Smart ; Biology - Alice Emerson; Home Economics - Rachel Coldicutt; Music ; Julie Hinks; Art - Helen Thompson.

Sixth Form Progress Awards : Jane Rawling, Rowena Swinbourne, Jane Glaze.

Special Prizes : The Simon Hancox Memorial Prize (for industry in the Lower School) - David Taylor, Service to the school - Anne Hunt, Peter Bromwich, Susan Wright, Darren Cooper, Bell Cup for Mathematics - Peter Bromwich, Mason Cup (best Ordinary Level Results) - David Apsley, Spencer Cup (best Advanced Level Results) - Alice Emerson.

GIRLS' GAMES

HOCKEY

The results for the hockey season were very mixed overall with the U15 XI losing only two matches out of a total of seven whereas the U13 XI lost all its three matches. The 1st XI won five matches out of nine.

The annual match against the Old Scholars was a victory for the school; we won 9-1. A mixed team of seniors played Evesham College twice, losing on the first occasion but winning at the second meeting.

Results:

	Played	Won	Drawn	Lost
1st XI	9	5	1	3
U15 XI	7	3	2	2
U13 XI	3	0	0	3
Mixed XI	2	1	0	1

Teams:

1st XI: J. Amor, R. Baker, H. Brice, L. Court, D. Drinkwater, B. Foster, C. Gilroy, N. Hancox, J. Hasson (Capt.), M. Hughes, R. Jordan, J. Powell, W. Partridge, D. Smith, G. Taylor.

U15 XI: H. Archer, S. Brewin, L. Gascoigne, J. Harrison, S. Hughes, L. King, C. Leavesley, K. Lewis-Jones, C. Linfoot, L. Matthews, S. Newey, L. Portman, J. Stanley, A. Thompson.

U13 XI: J. Bailey, G. Bubb, L. Buffery, S. Coldicutt, K. Harman, K. Howell, T. Jackson, K. Harrison, T. Hughes, T. McCalman, K. Newey, L. Ratcliffe, S. Smith, J. Stevenson, K. Woodward, H. Wright.

Mixed XI: J. Amor, A. Boston, R. Buxton, P. Catherall, T. Down, B. Foster, C. Gilroy, P. Goodman, J. Hasson, G. Hemming, J. Kerr, G. Taylor, R. Thomas, J. Wolfe.

This year Benedicte Foster and Rachel Baker both played for Warwickshire at hockey, Benedicte for the U18 XI while Rachel captained the U16 XI.

Colours were awarded again to J. Amor, R. Baker, B. Foster and J. Hasson; full colours were awarded to H. Brice, C. Gilroy and R. Jordan. Half colours were awarded to J. Powell, L. Court and N. Hancox.

BOYS' GAMES

RUGBY

The experiment made in 1979-80 of fielding combined teams with the Greville High School was not repeated this year so all fixtures are for Alcester Grammar School only.

The 1st XV under the highly competent leadership of Neil Edkins had its best season for many years, equalling the record of eleven victories set by the First XV under Duncan Reeves in 1976-77.

Results:	Played	Won	Captain
1st XV	17	11	N. Edkins.
U15 XV	8	3	K. Hancocks.
U14 XV	9	2	D. Holloway.
U13 XV	3	0	L. Hurley.

The U14 XV also played in the South Warwickshire seven-a-side competition and won - beating Bidford and Stratford, and drawing with Greville High School.

An under sixteen team under Stephen Shirley won their only match of the season.

Team: 1st XV: C.Ashton, P.Bayley, A.Blundell, N.Edkins, J.Emerson, M.Greenaway, G.Hickin, G.Hemming, A.Matthews, S.Peace, S.Pepper, S.Risby, C.Sheridan, S.Shirley, J.Wain.
Reserves: R.Horton, A.Shorey.

Colours were awarded to:

C.Ashton, M.Greenaway, G.Hemming, G.Hickin, A.Matthews and J.Wain.

SOCCER

All the captains have done a splendid job and the support and interest from parents, especially Mr. Push and Mr. Hoare, has been invaluable.

Results:

	Played	Won	Captain
1st XI	2	1	C.Ashton
U16 XI	7	2	S.Thomas, G.Danks
U15 XI	4	0	G.Strain
U14 XI	6	3	G.Mason
U13 XI	4	0	J.Williams
U12 XI	5	2	P.Bradley

Four of our players were selected for South Warwickshire teams: G.Strain (U15 XI), G.Mason and C.Cowin (U14 XI) and J.Williams (U13 XI).

Colours were awarded to Alan Matthews, Stephen Thomas and Gary Strain.

CROSS-COUNTRY

The highlight of the season has been the achievement of Mark Monk-Terry, who captained the Warwickshire team and narrowly missed selection for the England side. He finished 14th in the Inter Counties race; the first twelve were selected. Clive Cowin also ran for Warwickshire.

Results:

Inter Area Race (Warwickshire): M.Monk-Terry, 1st.

Inter County: M.Monk-Terry, 4th

South Warwickshire Minors: Team. 7th; P.Bradley, 12th.

Cross country meeting at A.G.S.:

Junior team, 1st; M.Monk-Terry, 1st; C.Cowin, 2nd.

Minor team, 4th; P.Bradley, 10th.

Inter-team, 2nd; J.Matthews, 7th; D.Apsley, 10th.

County meeting at Princethorpe:

M.Monk-Terry, 1st; C.Cowin, 17th; R.McCarthy, 19th.

Warwickshire v. Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Gloucestershire
M.Monk-Terry, 1st; C.Cowin 38th.

Colours were awarded to Mark Monk-Terry and Clive Cowin.

SQUASH

The squash results were much better this year as a result of the formation of a much stronger team. The very gratifying result against Solihull shows that the problems of having to select a team from a small school population are being overcome; Solihull can pick from over 1000 students.

Among other successes, Glenn Danks was ranked 7th and Melvin Crane 11th on the Warwickshire U16 ladder. Nigel Hood captained the A.G.S. team throughout the season.

Results:

Seniors v. Stratford (mixed): won 6-0

Boys v. Solihull 6th Form College: lost 1-4

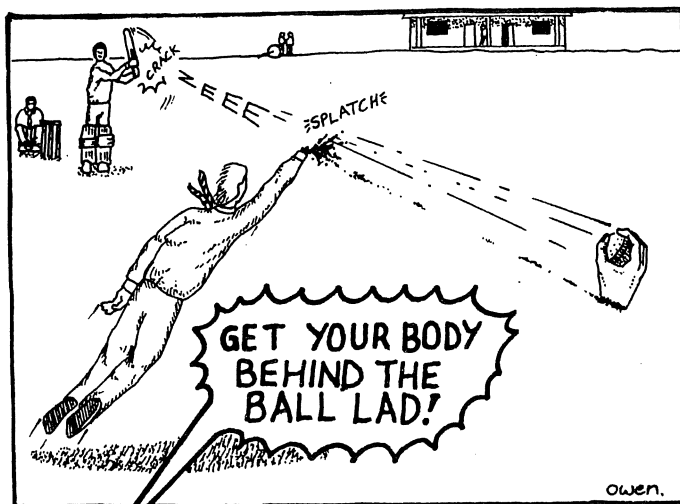
Girls v. Solihull 6th Form College, 2nd V: won 3-2

Girls v. Shottery Grammar: won 4-3

Boys v. Solihull 6th Form College: won 5-0

BADMINTON AND TABLE-TENNIS

Several matches took place this year with the 5th form badminton and table-tennis teams losing to Stratford High School, but the 6th form badminton team beat the Greville High School, 9-3.



CRICKET

Most of the teams had a fairly successful season this year. Gary Strain reached the final trial for South Warwickshire Under 15 XI.

Regular members of the 1st XI included:
N. Edkins, R. Horton, S. Thomas, A. Blundell, C. Ashton, M. Greenaway,
P. Handy, D. Apsley, M. Crane, R. Foster, P. Hedges.

Our thanks are due to Mr. Percival for his work with the
Under 15 team. Colours this year were awarded to : P. Handy,
R. Horton, M. Greenaway, A. Blundell and T. Hood.

Results:

	Played	Won	Tied
1st XI	3	2	
U15 XI	6	1	1
U14 XI	5	1	
U13 XI	3	2	
U12 XI	1	1	

ATHLETICS

The teams did well in the fixtures this season and there were a number of individual winners. In two matches against Aylesford and Kineton the school came 3rd although the third formers were placed first. At the South Warwickshire Schools meeting the school was placed 4th out of 9, but the intermediate boys came 3rd out of 9, the minor boys 4th out of 10, the minor girls 5th out of 9 and junior boys 3rd out of 9.

As a result of success in the South Warwickshire Sports, the following were selected for the County Sports:

M. Monk-Terry, 1500m; C. Cowin, 400m;
M. Waldron, high jump; A. Knight, triple jump;
R. McCarthy, 1500m;
M. Farmer, shot; T. Mitchell, 100m.

Of these, Mark Monk-Terry reached the Warwickshire team for 1500m and recorded 4m 18.0 at the county trials - a new record.

Athletic colours this year were awarded to Mark Monk-Terry and Colin Sheridan.

Jenny Amor, L6N.

TENNIS TOURNAMENTS

This year the boys organised all their tennis themselves. Marcus Carter won the 2nd form competition which Keith Baldry organised. Richard McCarthy and Andrew Buxton organised both a singles and doubles contest for the 3rd forms while a singles and mixed doubles contest was arranged for the seniors by Tim Gill and Colin Sheridan.

Boys' Results:

2nd forms: Marcus Carter beat Stephen Hall 7-5, 5-7, 6-4.
3rd forms: Richard McCarthy and Neil Hoare beat Clive Cowin and Graham Farmer.
3rd forms (singles): Clive Cowin beat Neil Hoare.
Senior: Tim Gill beat Phillip Catherall, 5-7, 6-4, 6-3.

Girls' Results:

Senior singles: Rachel Baker beat Jane Stanley 6-2, 7-5.
Senior doubles: Sallie Burden and Dawn Smith beat

Joanne Powell and Dawn Coomber, 7-5,7-2.

Junior singles: Lynn Tyrer beat Karen Edwards.

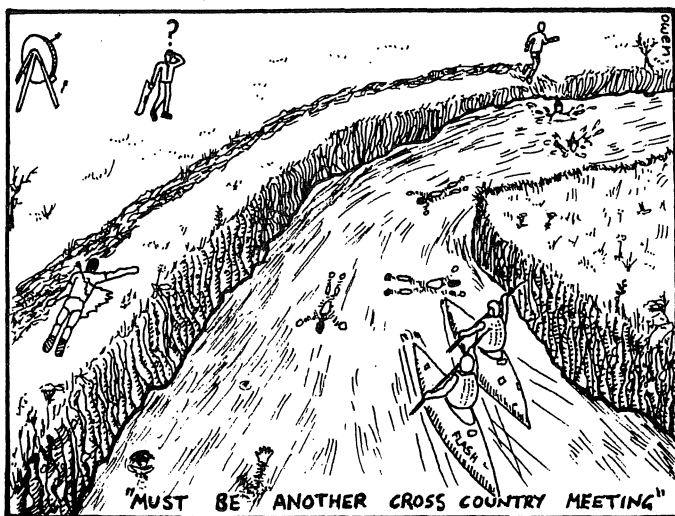
Junior doubles: Lyn Tyrer and Marianne George beat Alison Molloy and Julie Push.

The mixed doubles was won by Jane Stanley and Simon Hill who defeated Claire Gilroy and Tim Gill, 6-3, 3-6, 6-4.

Tim Gill, L6N.

THE HOUSE CHAMPIONSHIP 1981

The championship this year was won by Spencer, with 173 points. Wells came second, and Newport third with 162 and 135 points respectively.



THE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

The Christian Fellowship had an active year and took three assemblies before the whole school. In these, three dramas taken from parables in the Bible were performed. We also listened to several tapes, with discussions and personal opinions, and started a study on the acts of the Apostles. Paul Fluck, the team Vicar, came to the school again and gave a talk on the Gospel according to rock and roll; this was illustrated with rock songs, including some by Bob Dylan.

In February a group from school joined up with other young people from Alcester and Stratford to go on the annual week end away, this time to Ledbury. Rex Celli stayed with us in the large

house in the countryside and gave three talks, accompanied by advice to the young Christians.

We went walking on the Malverns, and ended one evening with a pillow fight. On Sunday we took our own service at the house, and everyone contributed.

Caroline Ross, L6W

ATHLETICS CLUB

A number of meetings of the club have been held throughout the year at which we practised a number of field and track events. Not many people took part, but we did enjoy it. The members would like to thank Mr. Cowell for organising it for us.

Tracey Mitchell, 1M

THE DEBATING SOCIETY

The Debating Society has become a firmly established feature in school, with regular well-attended meetings. The subjects debated have ranged from the controversial to the lighthearted.

Despite valiant efforts by Alastair Rooves, Mair Hughes, Claire Linfoot and Elizabeth West, our team lost in the competition organised by the Junior Chamber of Commerce of Stratford-on-Avon, being beaten by the team from Bidford-on-Avon. The subject for debate was 'That this house would support the abolition of Christmas'.

The members of the Society thank Anne Griffiths (who took the Chair last year) and Mrs. Woodcock for their help, and also all those who attended the debates in such gratifying numbers.

The Society always welcomes new members, and new topics for debate and it is hoped that the Society will continue to flourish in the coming year as it did during the last.

Elizabeth West, L6W

THE RAMBLING CLUB

The Rambling Club was formed in the Autumn term, partly as a result of the enthusiasm expressed for the Malvern expedition last year. The Club has walked in the Wye Valley, the Forest of Dean, the Cotswolds and the Black Mountains. The scenery has been enjoyed by all, and our thanks go to Mr. Johnson who made it all possible.

W. Wilkes, L6N

BARNARDO'S

This year I am pleased to welcome twenty six new members from Form 1 to the Barnardo Group-the largest number that have ever joined in one year. Anyone from any form in the school can join Barnardo's; I can always supply a badge and a box to those who are interested.

People have been so generous in their support during the past twelve months that we raised £253.92 during 1980-81. Form 1 produced an astounding £45.89 with their Christmas Tree collection and the December Non-Uniform Day brought in £25.50. For the second year Nick Jones and Keith Baldry and friends collected for us: their carol singing raised £5.24.

In the summer term I was grateful to the Debating Society who gave us £8.89, the proceeds of several performances of the popular 'Call my Bluff'. During the last week of term form 3S raised £1.35 from a rounders match they arranged.

As always our main income came from the loyal band of box-holders and this year they raised £165.05, a slight increase over last year. If we continue to gain new members at the same rate as last year I have reason to hope that next year's total will show another improvement.

K.G.M.

OUT OF THE PULPIT AND INTO THE PYRE

It has become Grammar School policy to enter any over-talkative, slightly insane pupils in the local heat of the Redditch Junior Chamber Public Speaking Competition, in hope of curing them of a hyperactive vocabulary.

It came as no surprise in February, to find Mrs. Woodcock, aided and abetted by the Debating Society, putting yet another quartet of distinguished orators through their rhetorical paces. These budding politicians were allowed to choose from a list of about 30 subjects all on the theme of energy. The subjects ranged from 'Nuclear Power: Faster breeder or slow killer?' to 'Back to the Treadmill'.

Eventually on a chilly Thursday night in February, the 'team of individuals' from the school strove forward, homilies in hand, to their venue - The Leys High School, Redditch.

A tense audience packed the back row of the huge lecture room (they had obviously heard we were coming) as the speakers tensed their larynxes for the five minutes worth of chatter and patter they were about to perform.

When the last utterance of the final speaker's sesquipedalian antics had died away, the judges delved into the task of finding who was to succeed in reaching the Midland final. But when the judges' announcements were made, the loudest shouts came not from the entrants but from the general proximity of Mrs. Ince. She was graciously but noisily applauding the fact that not only had Claire Linfoot gained an excellent second place, but Alastair had somehow managed to win. A felicitous thought must go to Richard and Martin who, according to the whole audience, - 'did us proud' and were certainly very highly placed.

A big thank you from us all must go to Mrs. Woodcock, Mrs. Ince, Anne Griffiths, Amanda Wearing and Julie Taylor, and our loyal parents for helping and giving us much needed confidence.

Alastair Reeves, 4M

EXCHANGE VISIT TO LOROUX BOTTEREAU, 1981

On Sunday 15th February thirty-one pupils from Alcester Grammar School set off for France on an exchange visit under the careful supervision of Mr. Percival and Mrs. Micklethwaite.

We arrived at Portsmouth in plenty of time to catch the boat at 7.30 p.m. and a coach was waiting for us at St.Malo to take us through Rennes to Nantes; soon afterwards we arrived at the school in Le Loroux, Bottereau. After meeting our pen-friends we sampled our first French meal!

That night we all went our separate ways only to meet up again next morning to tell each other the excitements or horrors of the previous evening.

School commenced at 8.30 a.m. and finished at about 5.00 p.m. Most of us travelled to school by bus, but some unfortunate people had to cycle, mais a droite naturellement!

In France we never wasted a moment. On Tuesday 17th there was a visit to a small farm and co-operative, while on Wednesday, when there was no school, most of us met at the ice-rink in Nantes. Thursday 19th was a day out visiting the Abbaye de Fontevrault, where Richard the Lion Heart is buried, and the Chateau and Cathedral at Angers. On Friday 20th we visited a biscuit factory which pleased those of us who were starving, having not quite got used to the French food!

On Saturday evening a disco party had been arranged for us, which went on from 6.00 p.m. to 11.00 p.m. at least, but I think that everyone enjoyed it.

On Monday 23rd we saw the Chateau and Museum at Nantes and on Tuesday 24th we participated in a Basket Ball match, French v. English, but although we lost I think our team put up an excellent fight considering that they had never played before.

Thursday morning eventually arrived and we had to be at the school for 6.30 a.m. to be in time for the 11.00 a.m. crossing. The boat journey was a little rough, but we all managed to arrive back at Alcester safe and sound at about 11.45 p.m. to be welcomed by a crowd of enthusiastic parents.

We are now looking forward to the visit of the French party to England in May, when we shall see them again and be able to repay the kind hospitality that they showed us while we were in France.

Dianne Retter 4M

DRAMA 1980 - TALES OF TWO SCOUNDRELS

By moving the annual dramatic production to October, rehearsals had to be spread over two academic years, but by careful planning all problems were overcome and success resulted.

The evening was divided into two parts. In the first part we were treated to Victorian melodrama in traditional form, while in the second (reviewed elsewhere) we saw the school's first Gilbert and Sullivan production.

The play, Lady Audley's Secret, included a titled baron, drunken publican and country bumpkins as well as the evil horrid villain. But here a change; could Lady Audley (Amanda Wearing)

that charming elegant creature really be an evil murderess, a liar, a cheat and a charlatan? Yet that is what she was and how well-deserved her end at the point of her own dagger! Amanda's quickly contrasting manner really brought this character out to the full.

The whole cast adopted the style admirably, spitting asides and exaggerating every gesture. Tim Gill (Landlord) sustained a splendid Mummersetshire accent when dealing with his impossible wife (Wendy Silverstone). Alastair Reeves (a Goody), suave and debonair, disappeared head first down a well but reappeared later, alive and dry. Carole Lester (Alicia) had her means of dealing with men, but it was left to John Matthews (Robert) to bring some sanity to the crazy household. Other parts were played by Nigel Braithwaite (Sir Michael), Anne Griffiths (Mrs. Watson), Janette Hasson (Maid), Mair Hughes, Rosemary Church and Lucinda Dale (local gossips).

Miss Simm's set delighted every gardener's eye and the stage crew managed the final conflagration most convincingly. The production by Miss Bywater brought boundless humour from the play and showed excellent team work.

J.W.R.T.

SKI-TRIP TO COLLE-DI-TENDA, ITALY

During the week of March 3rd - 10th, 1981 a party of 53 students and 5 adults visited the ski resort of Colle-di-Tenda in the Maritime Alps on the French-Italian border. The winter snow record on the Italian side of the Alps was very poor this year so we were thankful to find plenty of snow; sun and blue sky in our resort.

For the first few days most members of the party were divided into groups on the lower nursery slopes where they attempted to stand up on skis, to snow plough, to do parallel runs, to turn and how to stop and fall, though not necessarily in that order! By the end of the week all groups progressed via drag lifts, bruises and determination, to the higher (6-7000 ft) slopes by way of a fifteen minute chairlift ride, where they took a ski-test and gained their gold and silver awards.

Half way through the week some members had a welcome relief from ski-ing when they visited Monte Carlo and saw the famous Casino, the Royal Palace, the Jacques Cousteau Museum and the Yacht Harbour. Others preferred to visit the nearby town of Limone to purchase their souvenirs.

All in all we had a great time. Everyone was really friendly and we learnt a great deal, not only about ski-ing but also about people, both Italian and those of our own party. We should like to thank Mr. Mickelthwaite, Mr. Cowell, Mr. Farmer, Mrs. Bonham and Mrs. Matthews for taking us, though we do not think the trip was entirely devoid of enjoyment for them either.

Mark Greenaway
Heather Edwards
Helen Wainwright
Julie Hawkes

TRIAL BY JURY

Gilbert and Sullivan's 'Trial by Jury', with its eye-catching costumes, provided a colourful second half to the evening, after the dramatic end of Lady Audley and her secret. The cast overcame very well the difficulty of singing and acting at the same time and this somewhat ambitious undertaking proved to be highly successful, delighting audiences on all three nights.

Nigel Hood gave a most commendable performance as the Defendant, on trial for his failure to keep his promise of marriage to the now heartbroken Plaintiff, much grieved by this action, and beautifully played by Sarah Geden (on Thursday) and Francesca Tompkins (on Friday). Jonathan Howarth's powerful voice and superb acting brought to life the humorous character of the Judge, accompanied by his Attendant, John Holder. Other principal parts were excellently played by Anthony Knight, as the Usher, Joanna Tuplin, as the Counsel, and John Matthews as the Foreman of the Jury. We must not forget all those, too numerous to mention individually, who played the Jury, members of the public and of course, the Bridesmaids.

Thanks should also go to those who worked hard out of the limelight in constructing the set and ensuring continuity; to Mrs. Davies for her work on costumes, to Julian Wain who acted as Stage Manager, and all those who helped them both; to all the girls who coped with the daunting tasks of preparing the make-up for over fifty people, and finally to the accompanist, Susan Stephens, the musical director, Mr. Brinson, and the producer, Mr. Green.

Anne Griffiths, U6N

THE SUMMER CONCERT

The summer concert, entitled 'An evening of Music and Verse', brought the year to a close in a very uplifting and enjoyable manner. 'Music Comes', by John Freeman read by Elizabeth West, opened the way to a variety of musical tastes. 'Jeannette' and 'Sussex Overture' played by the school orchestra were followed by two songs sung by Alison Holmes whose beautiful voice earned her much applause.

In fact soloists from throughout the school delighted the audience with their clarity, confidence, and talent. Among others Paula Haigh played part of the 'Spring Sonata', Nigel Braithwaite played 'Hunter's Moon', on the horn and David Hemmingway gave a spirited rendition of 'Firefly' on the trombone. Nigel and David will be greatly missed at future concerts after their long and loyal participation in the school's musical activities. Adele Beard and Francesca Tompkins each gave moving piano solos which the audience greatly appreciated. Movements from various concertos were performed on the clarinet by John Matthews.

A number of instrumental groups also added to the variety of music in the concert, playing Mozart's 'Eine Kleine Nachtmusik', Frazer's 'A Little Theatre Music' and a concertino, in the style of Vivaldi, by Kuchler. The latter

included a sparkling solo by David Apsley on the violin.

The choir whose members come from throughout the school, sang ancient and modern songs often taking the mood from the preceding reading; the authors ranged from Edward Shanks to W.B. Yates.

Finally the orchestra brought the concert to a close with the very modern sounding 'Saturday Overture'.

In view of the efforts made by Mr. Brinson and the pupils one could have hoped for better attendance at the concert.

Claire Linfoot, 4S
Alastair Reeves, 4M

THE LONDON MUSIC TRIP

In April a number of pupils went to London for a musical weekend. The group travelled to London by car on the Friday afternoon and after settling in at the Y.M.C.A. visited the Royal Albert Hall for a concert by the London Philharmonic Orchestra. On Saturday morning a visit was made to the Horniman Museum at Brentford, while the afternoon was spent shopping in Oxford Street. In the evening a concert given by the London Philharmonia, conducted by Norman Del-Mar and held at the Fairfield Hall in Croydon, provided considerable entertainment.

Sunday morning proved to be a little chilly but St. Paul's Cathedral provided shelter during a matins service. This was followed by a visit to Tower Bridge in the rain which turned out to be well worth the effort. In the afternoon we went to a concert given by the I.L.E.A. bands in the Queen Elizabeth Hall which was very enjoyable.

Our thanks must go to Mr. Brinson for organising the trip and getting us lost (more than once).

Mair Hughes, 5M

WINTER SKI-TRIP TO MARILEVA, ITALY

A party of ten fifth formers decided to spend Christmas ski-ing in the Italian Alps. The poetical thoughts of one of the members summed up the holiday as follows:

*With shattered skis, but unbroken bones,
The ski-party snow-ploughed home.
A week of painful fun had passed,
And our hopes of parallel turns been dashed.*

*'I'll remember our ski-instructor' one girl sobbed
'And that dishy Italian we almost mobbed.
'What about that waitress?' recollected a heart-broken lad.
We sank in our seats we were all so sad.*

*Those far away crashes, those runaway times,
When Bendy Wendy broke through the lines.
Of well wrapped novices upon the slope,
Which made the instructors soon give up hope.*

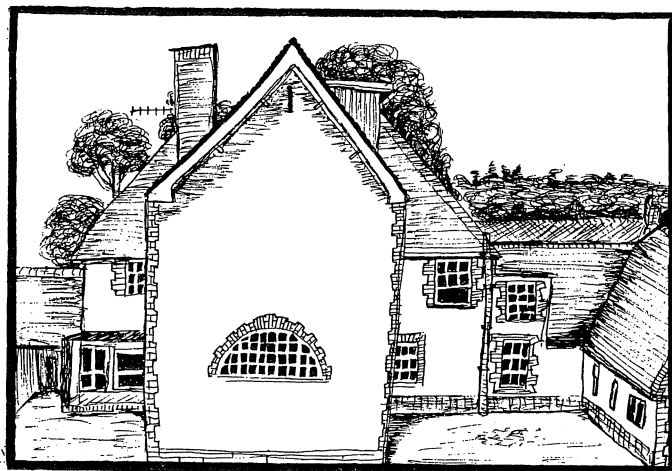
*The sleepless nights the awful meals,
Elusive spaghetti that rocked you on your heels.
The notorious Grappa, known as bleach,
After which for the Alka-Seltzer we did reach.*

*The amazing things that had been done,
'I went down the drag-lift slope backwards' said one.
'That's nothing boastfully said another,
'I knocked down five people in one go, no bother'*

*But despite the blisters the cold and the knocks,
The falling down the glacier and ski-ing into the rocks.
Even after the crashes we all had now and then,
I'm sure that we all really want to go again and again.*

All there is left to say, is thank you to Mr. Mickethwaite, who organised the amazing Christmas holiday and made it all possible.

Richard Marsh, 5S



Adele Beard

THE MERCHANT OF VENICE TRIP

On Wednesday 18th March all of the second year went to St. George's theatre in London to see a workshop production of the Merchant of Venice. The idea of the workshop is to help people understand the words and ways that Shakespeare wrote his plays.

The morning started with us being shown the props and how they were used. We were then given a detailed talk on how to act and say certain speeches in the plays. We were then told what Portia's speeches meant. After we had lunch the important parts of the plays were acted. We were shown Antonio and Shylock with the bond, the way Jessica and Lorenzo ran off together, and the visits made by leading courtiers to Portia, with the story of the caskets, and lastly we were shown the trial scene.

After this we were allowed to ask the actors' questions and these were received with some very humorous answers!

It was a very good day and the second year are grateful to everyone who organised it.

Sally Smith, 2M

ATHLETIC SPORTS 1981

Junior Victrix Ludorum Cup - Louise Beaman.
Junior Victor Ludorum Cup - Mark Monk-Terry & Graham Farmer.
Senior Victrix Ludorum Cup - Lindsey Portman
Senior Victor Ludorum Cup - Colin Sheridan.
John Clark Cup for 1500 metres - Colin Sheridan.
Girls' Sports Cup - Wells.
Boys' Sports Cup - Spencer.
Sports Shield - Wells.

* - denotes a new record.

JUNIOR GIRLS (1st and 2nd Forms)

1st year 100m 1, T. Mitchell (W)* (13.5); 2, E. Lediard (N); 3, K. Lewis (S)
2nd year 100m 1, R. Simmons (N); 2, L. Buffery (W); 3, K. Harman (S).
200m 1, R. Simmons (N)* (30.75); 2, L. Buffery (W); 3, K. Harman (S)
High Jump 1, T. Mitchell (W); 2, L. Ross (N); 3, K. Woodward (S).
Long Jump 1, K. Harman (S); 2, L. Buffery (W); 3, K. Newey (S).
Discus 1, K. Newey (S); 2, S. Payne (N); 3, S. Beaumont (S).
Javelin 1, F. Baldry (N); 2, T. Jackson (W); 3, A. Simmons (N).
Relay 1, Wells; 2, Newport; 3, Spencer.

INTERMEDIATE GIRLS (3rd and 4th Forms)

3rd year 100m 1, L. Beaman (W)* (13.5); 2, F. Apsley (S); 3, A. Molloy (S).
4th year 100m 1, L. Portman (W); 2, A. Thomson (W); 3, S. Brewin (N).
200m 1, L. Beaman (W); 2, L. Portman (W); 3, A. Molloy (S).
High Jump 1, L. Beaman (W); 2, A. Molloy (S); 3, S. Gill (W).
Long Jump 1, F. Apsley (S); 2, L. Portman (W); 3, S. Gill (W).
Discus 1, L. Matthews (N); 2, K. Lewis-Jones (N); 3, J. Pugh (S).
Javelin 1, J. Hawkes (N); 2, H. Archer (S); 3, K. Lewis-Jones (N).
Relay 1, Wells; 2, Spencer; 3, Newport.

SENIOR GIRLS (5th and 6th Forms)

100m 1,R.Baker(S);2,H.Wainwright(N);3, J.Powell(W).
 High Jump 1, J.Powell(W);2,H.Wainwright(N);3,R.Baker(S).
 Long Jump 1,D.Smith(N);2,R.Baker(S);3,S.Hill(W).
 Discuss 1,C.Fisher(W);2,C.Gilroy(S);3,G.Taylor(N).
 Relay 1,Wells; 2,Newport; 3,Spencer.

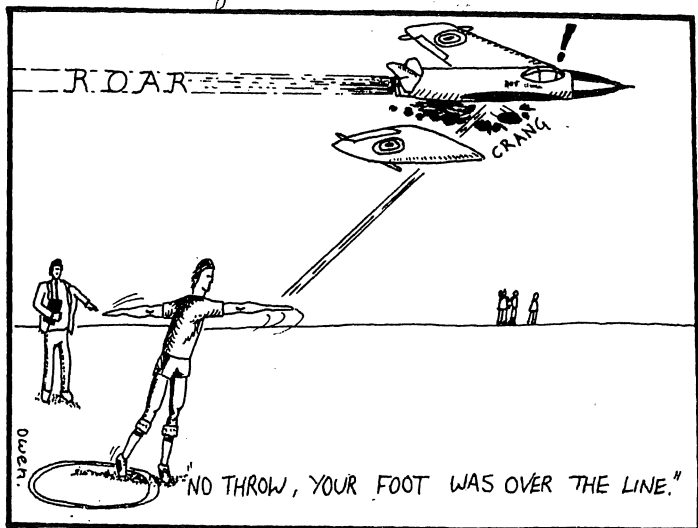
JUNIOR BOYS

1st year 100m 1,M.Farmer(S);2,A.Hedges(W);3,P.Brice(N).
 2nd year 100m 1,R.Nicholls(W);2,A.Barney(S);3,R.Woodger(S).
 200m 1,L.Hancocks(W);2,R.Woodger(S);3,N.Wooton-Jones(S).
 400m 1,N.Wooton-Jones(S);2,L.Hurley(N);3,P.Bradley(S).
 800m 1,L.Hancocks(N);2,A.Barney(S);3,P.Bradley(S).
 High Jump 1,N.Wooton-Jones(S);M.Carter(W);3,S.Hall(N).
 Long Jump 1,R.Nicholls(W);2,M.Farmer(S);3,M.Carter(W).
 Shot 1,M.Farmer(S);2,L.Hancocks(W);3,S.Sidaway(S).

+ JAVELIN

Discus 1,P.Teasdale(N);2,M.Harris(N);3,P.Buglass(S).
 Relay 1, Spencer; 2, Wells; 3, Newport.

1.00 start
 Relays 3.00 3.10 finish



INTERMEDIATE BOYS

3rd year 100m 1, G. Farmer(S); 2, R. Knight(W); 3, T. Shaw(W).
 4th year 100m 1, A. Reeves(W); 2, D. Harris(N); 3, A. Knight(S).
 200m 1, C. Cowin(S); 2, G. Farmer(S); 3, D. Harris(N).
 400m 1, C. Cowin(S); 2, M. Hamblin(N); 3, D. Taylor(N).
 800m 1, M. Monk-Terry(W); 2, S. Molloy(S); 3, R. McCarthy(S).
 1500m 1, M. Monk-Terry(W); 2, T. Hood(S); 3, M. Foster(W).
 High Jump 1, M. Waldron(N)*(1.52); 2, J. Powell(W); 3, G. Strain(S).
 Long Jump 1, G. Farmer(S); 2, T. Ward(W); 3, R. Reader(N).
 Discus 1, K. Hancocks(W)*(24.49); 2, D. Taylor(N); 3, R. McCarthy(S).
 Javelin 1, A. Walker(S); 2, M. Monk-Terry(W); 3, S. Jones(S).
 Shot 1, A. Reeves(W); 2, D. Blewitt(W); 3, A. Knight(S).
 Relay 1, Spencer; 2, Wells; 3, Newport.

SENIOR BOYS

100m 1, G. Hickin(S); 2, S. Shirley(W); 3, S. Rigby(N).
 400m 1, S. Shirley(W); 2, S. Rigby(N); 3, A. Young(S).
 1500m 1, C. Sheridan(N); 2, J. Matthews(N); 3, S. Thomas(W).
 Long Jump 1, A. Matthews(N); 2, T. Gill(N); 3, J. Emerson(S).
 Discus 1, C. Sheridan(N); 2, J. Emerson(S); 3, M. Greenaway(N).
 Javelin 1, G. Hickin(S); 2, N. Payne(W); 3, S. Thomas(W).
 Shot 1, C. Sheridan(N)*(12.18); 2, C. Braithwaite(S); 3, J. Howarth(W).
 Relay 1, Newport; 2, Spencer; 3, Wells.
 Tug-of-War 1, Wells; 2, Newport; 3, Spencer.

NOVELTY EVENTS (MIXED)

Three-legged race:

Junior 1, Spencer; 2, Newport; 3, Wells
 Intermediate 1, Newport; 2, Wells; 3, Spencer
 Senior 1, Newport; 2, Spencer; 3, Wells.

Chariot race Girls 1, Newport; 2, Spencer; 3, Wells.
 Boys 1, Wells; 2, Newport; 3, Spencer.

STAFF NEWS

Mr. Bill Ames (P.E. Master 1951-52) was interviewed on television as the leader of the rescue group which found the missing cadets on Dartmoor during the snowstorms of late April. He was described as the 'founder and present Secretary of the Dartmoor Rescue Group'.

After leaving A.G.S. Mr. Ames was appointed Headmaster of the school for children of the workers building the Kariba Dam in Central Africa, then moved to a similar post in Ghana. He returned to the United Kingdom to work as a Youth Leader in the Tavistock area of Devon.

Congratulations are due to Mr. and Mrs. Micklethwaite on the birth of a son, Ian David, on 11th May, 1981.

We welcome Mrs. P. R. White and Mrs. L. E. Snoswell as part-time teachers of French and mathematics respectively who joined us in September 1981, while Mrs. M. E. Albon and Mrs. C. M. Hughes have been appointed as full-time members of the staff.

In the summer term of 1981 we were pleased to have the assistance of Mrs. Griffith who taught mathematics during the temporary absence of Mrs. Micklethwaite.



WHAT'S THE ANSWER ?

News bulletin ...

Attempt on President's life;

Third hunger-striker dies;

Yorkshire Ripper pleads insane;

Three thousand more unemployed;

Armed robbery, policeman shot dead...

And that's just one day's news,

Murder, rape, unemployment and crime.

These are the bare facts of our time.

'We've got the solutions,' politicians declare,

'The baddies we'll lock up, or put in care',

'We'll increase taxes; can't do any harm,

'Keep everything quiet, no cause for alarm'.

'Bring back hanging', someone will say,

'There's always a way to make them pay.

Shorten working hours to create more jobs.

Close the pubs' early, that'll stop these drunken yobs.

And what about football hooligans. They think they're so clever.

What will they think when they ban football forever?'

These are the conditions which form the base,

Of the life we, the younger generation face,

Oh yes, the problems are just too many to be true,

But what would you do if the answers were left to you?

Caroline Ross, L&W.

AVIATION ARCHAEOLOGY

During the Second World War Warwickshire was the R.A.F.'s second biggest training area in Britain. Hundreds of aircraft took to the air daily; and during the course of the war hundreds came down again rather fast. There were at least three hundred crashes and accidents in those five and a half years.

It is my hobby to record these crashes and, wherever possible, to recover the wreckage of the aircraft concerned. I am a member of the Stratford Aviation and Militaria Enthusiasts, who have excavated many crash sites and recovered tons of parts. Some of these parts have been donated to large museums, such as the R.A.F. museum at Cosford in Staffordshire.

The club has an exhibition of the most interesting parts such as cockpit instruments, radios and bomb release switches, to name only a few. This exhibition is compact enough to be mobile and can appear anywhere that there is sufficient interest to justify it.

Unfortunately the exhibition is only a small selection of the relics in the club's possession; we have several aero-engines weighing half a ton apiece, which could not possibly travel regularly. The exhibition remains mobile because we have insufficient display and storage space. However, there are plans afoot to create a new museum on one of the local airfields, for example, Wellesbourne, Mountford or Long Marston. We hope eventually to be able to restore and display complete aircraft that we have recovered.

I must add that wreck recovery, or aviation archaeology, as it is often known, is extremely dangerous. This area is strewn with wreckage from aircraft which often contains unexploded bombs and is nearly always surrounded by live ammunition, commonly 20mm cannon shells which will easily sever a limb.

Groups like the Stratford Aviation and Militaria Enthusiasts are experienced in these matters and know how to approach the wrecks without hazard. We are always looking for new members and I would be glad to hear from anyone wishing to join the club, anyone who has heard of a local crash, or who has pieces of aircraft from one.

Mark Evans 4M.

CAMPING

*Camping, Mum said, would be fun,
With plenty of sun for everyone,
But as we sat there in the mist with
'Travel Scrabble', and hands of Whist,
We all gazed up into the sky,
And each of us uttered a heavy sigh.
Later that night when we all were asleep
A sparkling star from the sky did peep,
And as quickly as the mist had fallen,
All was clear for the following morning.*

Katy Howell, 2M.

RICHARD III AT MARLE HALL

Now is the winter of our discontent,
Made glorious summer by this week in Wales,
And all the clouds that lower'd upon our house;
(In the deep bosom of the country) rained.
Now are our brows bound with muddy marks;
Our battered boots hung up to dry a while;
Our happy converse chang'd to weary gasps,
Our cheerful outlook chang'd by dreadful marches.
Grim-visag'd mountains scarr'd our tiring legs;
And now we do not celebrate the end,
Or talk of hills we stumbled up and down,
But caper nimbly in the realms of dreaming,
To the lascivious playing of a lute.
But we that are not shaped to mountains climb,
Nor made to court with rain and soggy earth,
We that were rudely cloth'd with waterproofs
To strut like monsters from the deep,
We, that were tired beyond proportion;
Cheated of our food by late arrival,
Fatigued half freezing sent to dry out from
Out of this raining world, scarcely alive,
And that so tamely and unfashionable.
Those orange waterproofs that we had to wear,
Why we in this weak convalescing time of peace,
Have no delight to pass away the time,
Unless to sleep in shelter from the rain,
And muse upon our own misfortunes,
And therefore since we cannot prove as walkers,
To entertain by falling into streams,
We are determined to recover,
And fall to idle pleasures of these days.
Plots they had laid, inductions dangerous,
By sadist teachers, clamouring for blood,
To set our hearts a-quivering with fright
In deadly hate of walking; climbing heights,
And, if these four teachers be as just
As we are tired, worn and shattered too
This day should we be fit and well
Instead of sniffing, limping to and fro,
For all our sins we don't deserve this fate,
If we recover to our normal selves,
It won't be to return to Wales.

Lucy Matthews, 4S

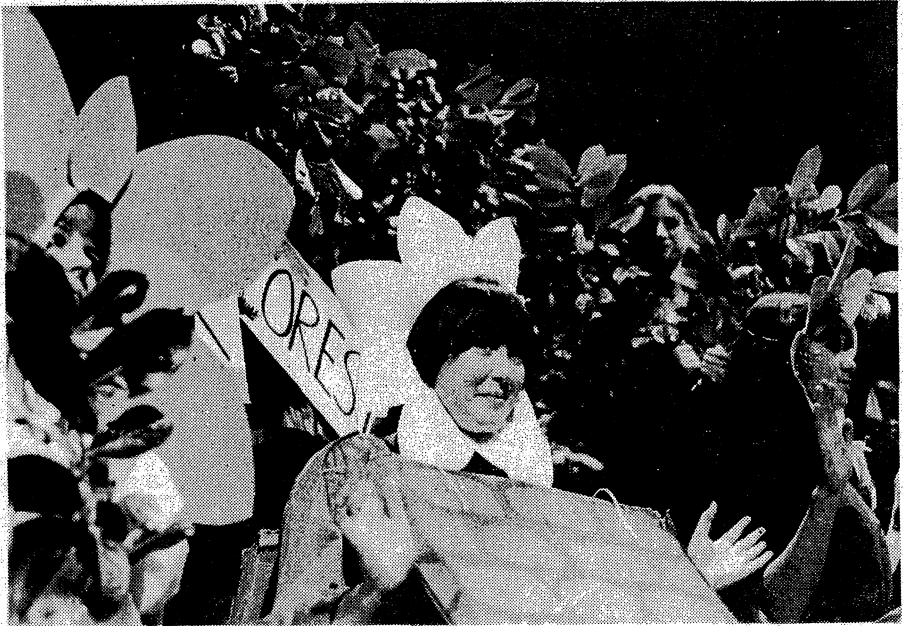
PHOTOGRAPHY

To many people the word 'photography' brings to mind images of beautiful young girls on sun-kissed beaches and energetic photographers with expensive gear and Porsche sports cars. However the seaside snap-shot, birthday party pictures and the family on a day out to grandma's are photography that every one can enjoy. It is said over and over again that photography is pure escapism, a creative license to let the mind run riot with images and tones.

Lord Snowdon said recently that one should photograph the familiar with an unfamiliar eye, so that even if you have a Kodak Brownie and not a Nikon F3, the pictures are still there, it is just a matter of finding them. Explore the world around you; there is always something to photograph.

The people around you, the buildings, the first winter snows, gorgeous summer sunsets are all images that make up your life. Your camera should be an extension of your mind's eye, a way of portraying a truly surrealistic environment. So from now on take a camera with you wherever you go and let your imagination run wild. The memories that you will capture will last for ever, and who knows, we may have a David Bailey or Patrick Lichfield among our number.

Andrew Shorey, L6W



A scene from the sixth form pantomime. Photo : Andrew Shorey

UNAVOIDABLE EXCEPTION

*Hovel-dwelling-oversexed insects,
Praising the purpose of existence,
Superficially generous.
Digging their finger-nails into their brains,
Tearing up all evolution.
Unexpected chaos of experimentation -
Was that your idea?
Pregnant silence reigns,
One exception lives.
Barricading the illusion,
Holding back the anxious needles.
Seeing truth in isolation,
The solitary loneliness of intelligence.
They convince you, you wanted it anyway,
Escapism is no way to escape.
The pretence of comprehension
Wins the day
And you're back in centre again.
I, an unavoidable exception,
Sitting in dumb mystification.
Loss of all comprehension.
Alright for majorities.
I, among the unmentioned minority,
Beckoning the needle.
I see the truth in isolation,
Escapism loses a few on the way.
Superficial generosity to such as me.*

Maria Gennoy, L6N.

NIGHT HUNT

The otter gracefully glided from his riverside retreat, beneath the roots of the mighty oak.

His fur occasionally glinted as it caught the beams of the moon. His sleek body disappeared into the depths of the moonlit lake.

Silently and swiftly he sped on through the water, searching for an unwary victim. In front of him...something moved in the weed...it was a water-vole; it noticed the hungry predator.

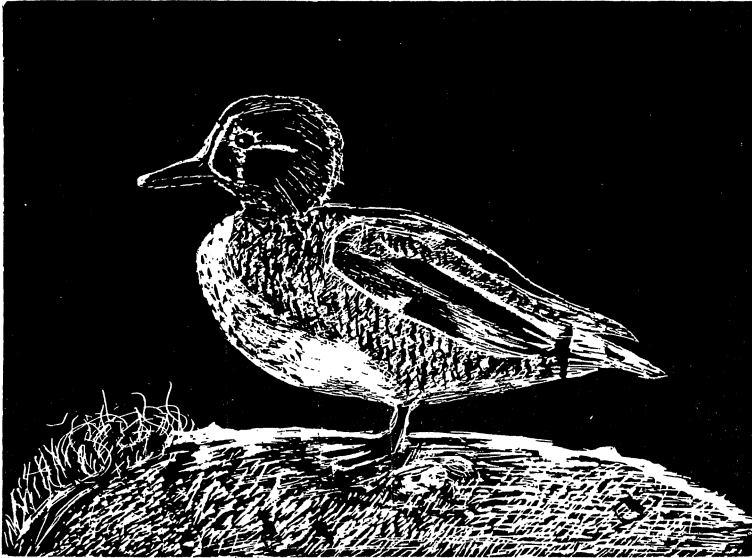
The petrified creature frantically darted up and down, avoiding the weed, his objective, a hole in the bank. But the otter was swift, it rose, sped on, and grasped its prey with fierce jaws.

There was a violent struggle but the frightened vole never had a chance against his fierce foe. With one mighty bite he tore away the remains of his prey's head.

The animal was dead. Blood still spurted from the severed body as the otter towed it to the surface. Here he devoured as much of the meal as possible and cached the rest in the reeds. As he was entering the water a shot rang out from the opposite bank and the otter was dead.

His body slowly sank in the murky depths of the lake,
where it will remain, concealed forever.

Mark Jewitt, 2M
Lawrence Jones, 2M



Adele Beard

NATURE'S BATTLE

The innocent trail of green,
As grass grows between the slates.
Moss on the roofing.
And weeds sprouting between the brickwork.
Carefree people as they travel to work,
Fail to notice lichen on the road beneath them.
Children running wildly to school,
Miss the fungus on fences beside them.
With accuracy nature grows,
Between the concrete city foundations.
Until it is too late to realise,
The city is conquered.

Vivien Evans, 2M

TUFFI WAS AN ELEPHANT

Tuffi was an elephant,
Not knowing his 'Green Cross Code,'
Went one day to Wuppertal
But he couldn't go by road.

And thus this little elephant
Had to go by monorail
But when he came to choose his route
Li'l' Tuffi - he did fail.

He'd forgotten to buy his ticket see,
And before he'd gone a mile -
He'd sat on three old ladies
And blocked up half the aisle.

So the driver-he got angry
About this sticky wicket,
'It's not my fault,' little Tuffi said,
'I've no pocket -for my ticket'.

But the driver had no time for this;
He wanted his hot supper,
So he took poor Tuffi by the ears
And threw him in the Wupper!

So take care, all you readers there,
For the moral of this yarn
Is 'Never take an elephant
Upon the Schwebenbahn'.

Alastair Rooves, 4M

GNORMAN THE GNOME

Gnorman the Gnome was a gnome with a problem,
A problem he couldn't ignore.
For while all of his friends were 2 feet 6 inches,
Poor Gnorman was 4 feet 4.

Gnorman tried all he could to be slightly shorter,
His height was something he hated.
A nurse said to him that the thing he should do
Was to have both his legs amputated.

Ignoring the nurse he just stared at the ground,
And wandered away, feeling sad.
Through country and town he meandered around
And was known as 'The lonely Gnomad'.

He applied for a job in the National Elf Service
And the Gnome Office, but it was in vain.
He decided to emigrate and start work in Paris
And work on an underground train.

Alas poor Gnorman he did not get the job.
His life was too much of a strain.
He sat by the railway and started to sob,
And then threw himself under a train.

So if, by some chance, in a station in Paris,
Alone, and so far from home,
A ghostly ticking is heard in the distance
It's the ghost of the dead Metrognome.

Chris Christou, 3S.



Paula Haigh. U. 6. Wells.

EARTHQUAKE

A violent shudder shook the ground,
A creaking, rumbling deep down sound.
Then like a flash of lightning split the ground in two
Another crack sliced through the earth,
And made the chaos even worse.
The earthquake cut and cut again.
Houses to rubble, then to dust.

All buildings crumbled one by one,
The gaping earthquake had left none.
Those few minutes left the town,
Quiet, eerie, still.

Marianne George, 3S

DAY TRIP TO ALTON

(To the tune of 'The Day We Went To Bangor')

Didn't we have a lovely time
The day we went to Alton:
Four looming great towers
The garden of flowers -
We really had great fun you know;
And in the arcade
We lost what we paid
On penny machines and bingo -
Wasting some of our valuable coins
On pin ball machines.

Didn't we have a fantastic ride
The day we took the corkscrew:
Two vertical rolls
They all took their tolls -
It really turned our guts you know;
And through the g-force
We took our course
And reached the altitude -
Wishing we'd never taken the ride
And took the train instead.

Didn't we have a soaking wet time
The day we went on 'Splash Kats'
We slid down a chute
Oh Sal - she looked cute -
And then she fell in the lake, you know;
So back we all went -
A cardi was lent
By very kind Mrs. E. Matthews -
Enjoying some of the fabulous things
At those famous towers.

Leila Khan, 3S

I'VE HAD THIS SHIRT

I've had this shirt,
That's covered in dirt,
For years and years.

It used to be red,
But I wore it in bed;
And it went grey.
'Cos I wore it all day
For years and years and years.

The arms fell off -
In the Monday wash -
And you can see my vest
Through the holes in the chest,
For years and years and years.

A. Dyke, 1S

RULER OF THE TERRAIN

He stalked low in the long grass. The blades swayed in the breeze, but he lay still, quiet. He knew this region well. This was his, his terrain, and no-one else's. He watched, silently, waiting. Then he crouched low as he heard the scuffle and patter of tiny feet on the ground.

The fieldmouse scampered across his path, then saw him in the corner of his eye; but it was too late! The mouse froze, petrified. The cat sprang forward and pounced on his prey. It wriggled and squirmed, trying to free itself, but it was speared in a firm grip by the sharp claws.

The struggle was futile, and the rodent finally fell to its predator, the Lord, the Ruler, the King of his terrain.

Fiona Apsley, 3S.

THERE'S MANY A SLIP.....

'When James II died he (Louis XIV) recognised his son James Edward as the righteous King of England'

W.F.

'The new cash-cafeteria system is throwing up all sorts of difficulties we didn't have before.'

J.W.R.T.

The school examinations produced the usual crop of amusing 'howlers'. For example J.H. thought that her kneecap was also called a 'paella' and V.M. insisted that it was necessary to 'cleave crystals at the correct angel'. Someone in 1M thought that a 'Greek infantryman carried three tons of arms and armour', while a member of the Lower Sixth, in a French exam, referred to some people who 'worked a 24 hour day with little time for sleep or leisure'.

A member of 3S thought that the West Indian islands might be called 'the Carabeans' - while Mr. Maund was no doubt gratified to read that at least one member of 2M considered annealing to be 'the worship of the metalwork teacher'. In the R.E. exam a member of 2M wrote that the Passion was a 'famous play' and that 'Nirobee was ten miles south of Jerusalem'.

Finally, N.W.J. in the history exam took impartiality to new limits when he stated that 'most of the crusaders were missionaries who were paid to fight for any side'.

THE RETIREMENT OF MR. D.E. OLDHAM

Readers will have seen in the previous edition of the Record a brief note announcing the retirement of Mr. Oldham from the staff. In this edition we are able to give a more extensive appreciation of his work than was possible when he was himself in charge of preparing the text for publication.

Douglas was born in Cambridgeshire and went to school in the county town, going on in due course to read modern languages at Fitzwilliam College in the University of Cambridge. While at Cambridge he was awarded 1st XV Rugby Colours, College Rowing Colours, and won an oar in the May Bumps of 1938. For a time he acted as rowing coach for Cambridge town.

As Douglas completed his professional training the Second World War was threatening and while waiting to join the Royal Air Force he taught for a short time at Taunton School in Somerset where he liked to relate how a waiter in a white jacket brought afternoon tea to the staffroom each day. During the war Douglas served with distinction in the R.A.F. in Scotland, Gibraltar, India and Java, and in recognition of his work for the Royal Netherlands Air Service in the East Indies he was invested by Prince Bernhard with the degree of Chevalier in the Order of Orange-Nassau.

Returning to his teaching career in civilian life, Douglas was appointed to teach modern languages at Queen Mary's School, Walsall, then he moved on to Stockport School and came to Alcester in 1958.

The contribution which he made to the life of the school in so many fields is well known, but will bear recording here. Generations of Alcester pupils will remember his quiet, careful teaching of French and Spanish; he organised numerous foreign visits, was Housemaster of the most successful House on the games field (Wells) and presided over this journal from 1959 until his retirement.

His contribution to the life of Alcester itself was likewise considerable; he was a churchwarden at St. Nicholas for a number of years and was a founder member of the Alcester Civic Society.

We, of the staff, will remember Douglas above all for his ready wit, infectious sense of humour and store of amusing anecdotes. He had a profound sense of professional duty and was always ready with help and advice; although we shall miss him sorely, we wish Douglas and his wife every success with the new career which they have embarked upon at the Cherry Trees Motel.

C.J.J.

PEARL JEPHCOTT (1900-1980)

Pupil of Alcester Grammar School from 1912 to 1918

Pearl Jephcott obtained First Class Honours in the Oxford Local Examination in 1917 and took Matriculation in 1918. After graduating from the University of Wales at Aberystwyth she was instrumental in the formation of the Association of Girls' Clubs, and throughout her life was deeply involved in social reform and the welfare of young people, particularly those forced to grow up in adverse living conditions.

Her first book, published in 1942 entitled 'Girls Growing Up', became a standard text on the subject and was one of the earliest sociological works to be read by the general reader as well as the professional. Her other early writings included 'Rising Twenty' (for club leaders) and 'Some Young People' (on behalf of King George's Jubilee Trust). Her research at the London School of Economics led to 'Married Women Working' and 'A Troubled Area' (on the racially-mixed Notting Hill community).

Throughout her very active life she worked tirelessly at home and abroad on social problems. Even after retirement she was one of the first to question the plans to erect tower-blocks to replace slum dwellings, and in fact, persuaded the Birmingham Housing Committee to allow her to live in one for two years in order to gain first-hand experience of the living problems before writing a comprehensive report which led to the formation of a Trust to put her ideas into practice.

In recent years she was very much involved in Chipping Norton in work for Oxfam, Help the Aged, Twinning and other similar causes. Perhaps one of her greatest talents was that for friendship.

Pearl Jephcott was one of the school's most illustrious old scholars and her affection and respect for the school was shown by her bequest of £1000. A new plain-paper copier was purchased and this has, in only a few months, proved to be of very great help in classroom work and elsewhere.

J.W.R.Turner

CONGRATULATIONS

Our congratulations are due to the following:

Alistair Rowley (1973-80), who won the 1981 Redditch Closed Squash Championship;
Peter Bromwich (1973-80), for entering division 1 for slalom canoeing;

Nigel Hood, who was placed second in the Observer-Whitbread regional essay competition;

Sarah-Jane Plant (1977-80) who won a prize in the W.H. Smith 'Young Writers' Competition;

Alastair Reeves, who was awarded first place in the Junior Chamber of Trade Public Speaking Contest for the Midland Region;

Mark Monk-Terry, who captained the Warwickshire Cross-Country team and represented the county at the Yeovil athletics meeting in July.

PREFECTS 1981-1982

The following were appointed at Easter 1981:

HEAD BOY: Neil Edkins.

HEAD GIRL: Claire Gilroy.

DEPUTIES: David Apsley, Peter Bayley.
Carol Fisher, Joanna Tuplin.

Since Neil Edkins left to join the Police Force at the end of the summer term, the duties of Head Boy have been shared by David Apsley and Peter Bayley.

All members of the Lower Sixth were appointed Prefect from the Easter Term 1981.



Adrian Blundell

EXAMINATION RESULTS

CODE:-

e-English language, el-English literature, f-French, g-German, h-history, ec-economics, gy-geography, m-mathematics, fm-further mathematics, am-additional mathematics, p-physics, c-chemistry, b-biology, hb-human biology, mw-metalwork, ed-engineering drawing, he-home economics, a-art, mu-music, rs-religious studies, l-latin, nwd-needlework and dress, fn-food and nutrition.

* denotes that the highest grade was awarded.

AUTUMN 1980

UNIVERSITY OF CAMBRIDGE LOCAL EXAMINATIONS

ORDINARY LEVEL

Julie Adams, am; Judith Pickles, am.

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS

ORDINARY LEVEL

Richard Anderson, a*; Stephen Escott, e, m; Benedicte Foster, m; Gregory Hickin, el; Sarah Hill, gy*; Jonathan Howarth, rs, m; Simon Pepper, en; Julie Taylor, p; Christopher Thompson, el; William Wilks, a; Nicholas Partington, m; Gail Reeves, p; Sarah Wright, e.

SUMMER 1981

UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD LOCAL EXAMINATIONS

ADVANCED LEVEL

David Broderick - c,p; Russell Buxton - c*,p; Alan Matthews - ec,gy; Nicholas Strain - c,p; Julian Wain - el,h,gy*; Jayne Copping - f.ec; Anne Griffiths - f*,g*h; Maxine Hancox - el*,h,gy; Jennifer Manley - el*,f,h; Julie Read - el,f,ec; Julie Taylor - c*,b*; Sandra Taylor - gy; Amanda Wearing - el*,f*,h; Nigel Braithwaite - c,b; Simon Butler, h; Paul Foster - c,p; Peter Goodman - c,p; David Hemingway - gy,p; Nigel Hood - ec,gy; Robert Shore - p; Jonathan Wolfe - c,p; Janette Hasson - c,p; Sally-Anne Holt - fn; Catherine Howell - gy,c,b; Christopher Ashton - ec,gy; Philip Cregeen - c,p; Timothy Down - c,p; Julie Adams - gy; Rosemary Church - c,p; Janice Kerr - c,p; Judith Pickels - gy; Caroline Ritchie - el,f,h*.

ORDINARY LEVEL

Form 5m

Nicholas Bennett - e,el,mw*,ed*,p,c; Glenn Danks - e,el,h; David Davies - e,el,gy,m,a*,mw; Simon Harris - e*,el,f,p,b,a*; Peter Hartland - e*,el*,h*,f,c*,p*,b*; David Lawrence - e,el,gy,p; John Matthews - e*,el,f,c,p*,b*; Mark Pugh - e,el*,gy,p,mw; Duncan

Rankin - e,el,h,m,a; Stephen Thomas - e,el,gy,f,m,c,p,mw; Julian Trout - m,p,mw; Sean Wheeldon - e,el,f,c,p*,mw,ed*; Tessa Baggett - e,el*,h,f*,m,fn*,a*; Rachel Baker - e,el*,h,gy,b; Dawn Coomber - e,el*,h,f*,g*,c,b; Lisa Court - e,el*,gy,f,c,b,a*; Tracey Cox - e,el*,h*,f,c,p,hb*; Diane Gregeen - e,el*,gy,f,g*,m,c,b; Lucinda Dale - e,el*,h*,gy*,f,m,c,b,mu; Nicola Hancox - e,el*,f,m,c,p,hb*,fn*; Mair Hughes - e,el*,f,g,c,p,b*; Sarah Jasper - e,el*,h,f*,hb*,fn; Amanda King - e,el,gy,f,m,c,fn,a; Sarah Miller - e*,el*,h ,gy*,f,p*,b; Joanne Powell - e,el*,h,f,p,b,fn*; Sally Sidaway - e,el*,h,gy,b; Wendy Silverstone - e,el,h,c,p,a; Deborah Skelton - gy,f,m,p,a; Nicola Vale - e,el*,h,gy,m,p,: Kim Watton - e,el,h,a; Nicola Wells - e*,el*,h*,gy,f,g,b; Margaret Yapp - e,el*,h*,c,b,fn*.

Form 5s

Simon Biffin - e,el,f,m,c,p,b; Richard Brougham - e,el,gy,m,c,p,ed; Jonathan Cartledge - e,el*,f*,g*,c*,p*,b*,mu*; Melvin Crane - e,el,c,p,b,ed*; Stuart Cuffe - e,el,f*,g,c*,p*,b*; Phillip Garrattley - e,el*,h*,gy,f,c,b; Gregory Hickin - m,c,p; Philip Hill - e,el*,p,mw,ed; Richard Marsh - e,el,gy,f,m,c,p,b; Nigel Payne - e,el,gy*,f,c,p*,ed*; Brandon Ransley - e,el,f,c,p,mw; Edward Rehring - e,el*,f,g,m,c,p,mw; Simon Rigby ; e,el,gy,f,p,mw; Stephen Shirley - e,el*,m,p,hb*,gy*,mw; Peter Wallin - e,el,h,gy,f,p,hb*; Philip Wright - e,el,h,gy,f,b; Alan Young - e,el,gy,f,m,c,p,a; Jacqueline Collison - e,el*,h,gy,f,b*; Dawn Drinkwater - gy,hb,fn; Rosalind Jordan - e,el*,gy,f,p,hb*,fn; Juliet Lee - e,el,f,a; Carole Lester - e,el,hb,fn*; Catherine Lewis - e,el*,h,f*,g,p,hb*; Sarah Longstaff - e,el,h,f,c,b*,a; Wendy Partridge - e,el,gy,m,b,fn; Cherysse Quinney - e,fn; Sally Rundle - e,el*,h,gy,f,m,c; Amanda Shrimpton - e,el,hb,fn; Tracy Treadgold - e,el*,gy*,f,g,c,b; Victoria Walters - e,el,b,fn,mu; Rachel Watton - el,a; Mandy Williams - m,hb,fn.

Fourth Forms

Mathematics - Mark Evans*, Nicholas Harris, Anthony Knight*, Ian Parker*, Alastair Rooves*, Vaughan Tanner, Stephanie Brewin, Sallie Gill, Julie Hawkes, Sarah Newey, Lindsey Portman, Dianne Retter, Jane Stanley, Anna Thomson, Simon Edkins*, Mark Foster*, Mark Hamblin, Keith Hancocks, Peter Ratcliffe*, Richard Reader*, David Taylor*, John Ward*, Jill Blakey, Jenny Harrison, Joanne Harrison, Sian Hughes, Marcia Lavender, Claire Linfoot*.

Lower Sixth

Computer Studies - Stephen Escott, Roy Foster, Paul Hedges*, Simon Pepper, Andrew Shorey*, Christopher Thompson, Michelle Clark, Sarah Hill, Margaret Scally; Economics - Philip Catherall*, Stephen Cowell, Stephen Peace*, Kevin Sollis; Sallie Burden, Catriona Girvan, Judy Tutt, Helen Wainwright*; French - Paul Hedges; Mathematics - William Giblin; Metalwork - Christopher Thompson.

Upper Sixth

Latin - Anne Griffiths*, Jennifer Manley, Amanda Wearing.

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Lower Sixth - Additional Mathematics

Roy Foster*, Tim Gill, Paul Handy, Paul Hedges, Lindsey Collins, Coryn Dickman, Ruth Grier, Sarah Hill, Margaret Scally.

Lower Sixth - Advanced Level Mathematics

David Apsley*, Andrew Boston*, James Emerson*, William Wilkes, Caroline Ross.

Lower Sixth - S Level Mathematics

David Apsley*

Upper Sixth - Advanced Level Mathematics

David Broderick, Peter Goodman, David Hemingway, Nicholas Strain, Jonathan Wolfe, Janette Hasson, Janice Kerr, Julie Taylor, Graham Hemming, Russell Buxton*, Timothy Down*, Paul Foster, Robert Shore*, Graham Ward*, Rosemary Church*.

Upper Sixth - Further Mathematics

Graham Hemming, Russell Buxton, Timothy Down, Paul Foster, Robert Shore, Graham Ward, Rosemary Church.

Fifth Forms - Additional Mathematics

Peter Hartland, John Matthews, Mair Hughes, Sarah Miller, Jonathan Cartledge, Melvin Crane, Stuart Cuffe, Nigel Payne, Sarah Longstaff.

LEAVERS AND THEIR DESTINATIONS

UPPER SIXTH

To Universities:

Timothy Down (Electronic Engineering at Bath), Graham Hemming (Physics at Bath), Graham Ward (Physics at Bristol), Rosemary Church (Maths at Bath), Caroline Ritchie (History and Politics at Warwick), Paul Foster (Maths and Computer Studies at Sheffield), David Hemingway (Geology at Durham), Robert Shore (Maths and Physics at Southampton), David Broderick (Metallurgy at Cardiff), Russell Buxton (Engineering at Emmanuel College, Cambridge), Julian Wain (Law at Leicester), Anne Griffiths (German at St. Andrews), Jennifer Manley (Social Science at Leicester), Julie Taylor (Medicine at Nottingham), Amanda Wearing (Law at Brasenose College, Oxford).

To Polytechnics:

Jonathan Wolfe (Applied Physics at Lanchester), Janette Hasson (Maths and Computing at Leicester), Sally-Anne Holt

(Diploma in Home Economics at Sheffield), Jayne Copping (Bi-lingual Secretarial Course at Bristol), Julie Read (Business Studies at Hatfield).

To Colleges:

Nigel Braithwaite (B.Ed. at Worcester College of Higher Education), Nigel Hood (Business Studies at Dorset Institute of Higher Education), Christopher Ashton (Business Studies at Dorset College of Higher Education), Alan Matthews (B.Sc. at Worcester College of Higher Education), Philip Crow (Revision course for 'A' levels at Leamington College), Henry Wallace (Theology at Westminster College, Oxford).

To other training and employment:

Timothy Reed (Artificer Apprentice, R.N.), Judith Pickles (Voluntary work for a church organisation), Nicholas Strain (Training for the Civil Aviation Authority), Rhys Thomas (Printing Trade), Maxine Hancox (Management Trainee with Marks and Spencer), Sandra Taylor (a year of practical work in Floristry and Horticulture), Cheryl Gulliver (M.W.C.F.E.)

LOWER SIXTH

Lydia Emery, Karen Hooker, Michelle Clark (South Warwickshire College of Education), Neil Edkins (Cadet training with the Police).

FIFTH FORMS

To South Warwickshire College of Further Education:

Rosalind Jordan (Advanced Level courses), Carole Lester (T.E.C. course in Catering), Amanda Shrimpton (Secretarial Studies), Glenn Danks (Business Studies), Tessa Baggett (T.E.C. course in Catering), Nicola Hancox (B.E.C. studies), Sarah Jasper (Advanced level courses), Nicola Vale (B.E.C. studies).

To Mid-Warwickshire College of Further Education:

Dawn Drinkwater, Juliet Lee, Wendy Partridge (Pre-Nursing course), Rachel Watton (Nursery Nursing), Mandy Williams (Nursery Nursing), Lisa Court (Foundation Art Course), Kim Watton (Art and History).

To other destinations:

Victoria Walters (course for farm secretaries at Newark Technical College), Gregory Hickin (retail trade), Sally Sidaway (retail trade).



L. COLLINS JUNE 1981.

OLD SCHOLAR'S NEWS

Michael Allen (1971-78) has gained a grade A pass in his foundation course in Accountancy.

Julia Cuzner (1969-77) has gained her S.R.N. and is now Staff Nurse at Derby City Hospital.

Frances Clack (1971-78) has obtained a B.Ed at Nene College, Northampton, where she specialised in music.

Christine Baldwin (1971-78) was awarded a B.A.Honours Degree 2(i) in History at the University College of North Wales, Bangor, and is now undertaking voluntary work with autistic children before further studies at Leeds.

Timothy Baldwin (1970-77) was awarded the B.Sc.Honours Degree, 2(ii) in aeronautics at Southampton University and is now continuing his training with the Ministry of Defence at the Royal Aircraft Establishment, Boscombe Down near Salisbury.;

Neil Allen (1971-78) has been awarded a B.Sc. class 2(ii) in Textile Technology at Bradford University.

Anne Hunt (1973-80), who is studying architecture at Heriot-Watt University, Edinburgh has been awarded a prize for her first year work.

Stephen Hunt (1971-76) has gained a Diploma in Agriculture at Berkshire College of Agriculture.

Stephen Davies (1971-78) has gained H.N.D. in Business Studies at the Polytechnic of Wales, Pontypridd and is now employed with a firm of accountants in Redditch.

Mary Emerson (1971-78) has gained a B.Sc.Honours Degree 2(i) in Engineering Science at Exeter University, and will be staying on to do research.

Rupert Collins (1975-77) has been awarded B.Sc.Class 1 in Physiology at Dundee University, and has now started a course in Medicine.

Catherine de Lotbiniere (née Plummer 1972-74) has been awarded the degree of M.Sc. at the University of Reading.

Colin Foster (1971-78) has gained B.Sc.2(i) in Chemical Engineering and Fuel Technology at the University of Sheffield, and has accepted a research post with British Steel.

Christopher Howarth (1971-78) has obtained B.Sc.2(i) in Pharmacology at Sunderland Polytechnic.

Clive Devey (1971-78) has been awarded B.Sc.2(i) in Aeronautical Engineering at the University of Aston, and is working for British Aerospace.

Brian Freeman (1971-78) has obtained a B.Sc.2(i) in Biomedical Electronics at Salford University.

Michelle Drew (1970-77) has been awarded B.Sc.2(ii) in Interior Design at Teeside Polytechnic, and is to start on an M.Sc. course at Leicester Polytechnic.

Alison Gayfer (1975-77) has gained a degree in Combined Studies at Derby Lonsdale College of Higher Education.

Michael Zuliani (1969-74) is now a Building Inspector with Norfolk County Council at Kings Lynn.

Louise Fatek (1975-79) is now taking a course in textiles at Birmingham College of Art after a foundation year at Leamington Art College.

Alastair Lynam (1973-80) has been accepted for training with the Metropolitan Police Force.

Kevan Burrows (1974-79) has gained the B.E.C. National

Diploma in Business Studies and has started work with Lloyds Bank.

Sarah Douglas (1964-69) has a leading role in the film 'Superman 2'.

Christopher Davies (1969-75) is now Catering Manager at Longleat House in Wiltshire.

As part of her B.Sc. course in Hotel and Catering Administration at the University of Surrey, Christine Catherall (1971-78) has spent the past year working as a management trainee at the De Vere Hotel in Coventry.

David Harrison (1971-78) has obtained his H.N.D. in Quantity Surveying at Trent Polytechnic.

Ruth Lynam (1971-78) is now a member of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy and has started work at the Royal West Sussex Hospital in Chichester.

Sylvia Ashton (1971-78) has been awarded a B.A. in Politics, Philosophy and Economics at the University of Oxford.

Gillian Mann (1969-74) is now Assistant Departmental Manageress at Debenhams in Stratford.

Noel Morgan (1968-75) was recently awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy at the University of Leicester, and is to undertake research into diabetes at the University of Nashville, U.S.A.

BIRTHS

In 1981:

To Mr. and Mrs. David Hancox (née Jean Bayliss), a daughter, Alice Louise.

To Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Davies (1967-74), a daughter, Sandra.

To Mr. and Mrs. Bugler (née Anne Payne, 1967-72), a third son, Adam Louis.

To Mr. and Mrs. Neil Weatherhead (1969-74) a son.

To Mr. and Mrs. N. Wood (née Janice Baldwin, 1962-69) a daughter, Claire Alexandria.

DEATHS

In 1980:

Elsie Finemore (1915-18); Elizabeth Hall (née Thomas), widow of Mr. S.Hall who taught science at the School from 1912 to 1941; Pearl Jephcott (1912-18); Valentine Chapman (1918-23).

MRS MARGARET RUTTER

The sudden death of Mrs. E.M. Rutter occurred on 14th July 1981 when she appeared to be making a good recovery from a fall in her home. Representatives from many generations of pupils and staff paid their respects at her funeral.

A full report of Mrs. Rutter's contribution to the school as secretary for thirty-five years appeared in the edition of the Record for Autumn 1975, following her retirement. The school extends its sincerest sympathy to Mr. Philip Rutter and all the family in their loss.

PROFESSOR VALENTINE CHAPMAN

Professor Valentine Chapman, Professor of Ecology at the University of Auckland, New Zealand, who died in December 1980 was a pupil at Alcester Grammar School from 1918-23. He was the son of Canon Chapman, a former Rector of Alcester, and brother of Miss Celia Chapman.

During the war Professor Chapman headed a research institute for making use of seaweed. He was a world authority on mangroves. At the time of his death he had just returned from lecturing in Mexico.

MARRIAGES

1980

Michelle Willmott (1974-79) to Neil Harrison; Julian Saunders (1969-76) to Linda Smith; Richard le Parmentier to Sarah Douglas (1964-69).

1981

Thomas Seeney (1967-74) to Nancy Harwood; John Bowstead to Judith Evans (1969-75); Graeme Oakes to Christine Ann Wood (1974-79); Andrew Crabtree (1969-76) to Sharon Ann Watton (1973-78); Derek Hirst to Hilary Isobel Whinn (1969-76).

SCHOOL REGISTER

FAREWELL

Autumn Term 1980: Lydia Emery, Karen Hooker (L6), Cheryl Gulliver (U6).

Spring Term 1981: Jeremy Pickard (3S), Robert Burchell (3M), Cathryn Burt (2S).

Summer Term 1981: Michelle Clark, Neil Edkins (L6), Louise Beaman (3S), Simon Jones (3M).

U6N: David Broderick, Russell Buxton, Alan Matthews, Nicholas Strain, Rhys Thomas, Julian Wain, Jayne Copping, Anne Griffiths, Maxine Hancox, Jennifer Manley, Julie Read, Julie Taylor, Sandra Taylor, Amanda Wearing.

U6S: Nigel Braithwaite, Paul Foster, Peter Goodman, David Hemingway, Nigel Hood, Robert Shore, Jonathan Wolfe, Janette Hasson, Sally-Anne Holt, Catherine Howell.

U6W: Christopher Ashton, Philip Crow, Timothy Down, Graham Hemming, Timothy Reed, Henry Wallace, Graham Ward, Julie Adams, Rosemary Church, Janice Kerr, Judith Pickles, Caroline Ritchie.

5M: Glenn Danks, Julian Trout, Gregory Hickin, Tessa Bassett, Lisa Court, Nicola Hancox, Sarah Jasper, Sally Sidaway, Nicola Vale, Kim Watton.

5S: Philip Hill, Dawn Drinkwater, Rosalind Jordan, Juliet Lee, Carole Lester, Wendy Partridge, Cherysse Quinney, Amanda Shrimpton, Victoria Walters, Rachel Watton, Mandy Williams.

WELCOME

Summer Term 1981: 1M Tabitha Davison (Swanshurst School, Birmingham)

Autumn Term 1981:

1M: Jonathan Dale, Paul Davies, Steven Day, Steven Doyle, Duncan Edwards, Luke Harman, Robert Jones, Toby Lenehan, Stephen Mitchell, Roger Payne, Matthew Pinfield, Robert Russell, Mark Wedgbury, David Wells, Ian Whitehead, Caroline Beacon, Paula Dorrington, Fiona Gilroy, Tracy Hack, Rachel Holden, Yasmin Khan, Andrea Mayneord, Anne Miller, Hayley Monks, Wendy Quinney, Georgina Ravenhall, Kirsteen Richardson, Xanthe Ryle, Rachel Savage.

1S: Carl Bell-Jones, Christopher Brazier, Nicholas Cole, Richard Kirkland, Adam Mansell, Paul Maries, Jason Parker, Kerith Rees, Ian Revell, Mark Seed, Daniel Smith, Stuart Teasdale, Christopher Ullman, David Watson, Steven Wilkes, Rebecca Bubb, Maria Burdett, Maria Canning, Jane Dussan, Julie Grimble, Sarah Hamblin, Sarah Harper, Diane Hims, Joanne Humphries, Angela McKenzie, Kate McClellan, Louise Rimell, Julie Shelton, Wendy Smith, Gabrielle Starkey.

Lower Sixth:

From Studley High School: Peter Hunt, Karen Tracy, Karl Gaunt, Trevor Sutton, Karen Hughes, Andrew Smith, Wendy Spires, Paul Turner, Wendy Kember, Vernon Elliott.

From Greville High School: Maria Norris, David Jones, Karen Pinfield, Jonathan Chinn, Cheryl Harris, Adrian Horton, Charles Leek, Louise Adkins.

From Bidford High School: Russell Atkins, Helena Stanley, Stephanie Higley, Lucy Shore.

From Henley High School: Andrew Nicholson, Joanne Spencer, Robin Hayton, Rebecca Rollings.

From St. Benedict's High School: Philip Larkin, Lorraine Buglass.

Andrew Bridgeman (Ysgol Y Preseli, Dyfed), Carolyn Dakin (Alderbrook School Solihull), Michael Stevens (Cardiff High School), Nicholas Briggs (Sibford School).

2S: Sarah Stevens (Cardiff High School).

2M: Andrew Haywood (Bidford High School).

3S: Timothy Golder (Bidford High School).

4S: Angela Dakin (Swanshurst School, Solihull).